

**REMARKS**

A Notice of Allowance was mailed on December 16, 2002, setting a date for payment of the issue fee for January 2, 2002. Applicants have presented amendments to clarify the specification and to correct various minor errors in the claims. No new matter is presented, and approval and entry of the amended claims are respectfully requested.

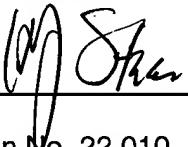
If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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